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1. FOLLOWING IS THE STATEMENT MENTIONED REFTEL THAT WE UNDERSTAND WAS APPROVED BY INER AND CAEC FOR CONTINGENCY USE AT POSSIBLE NRC OR CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS: QUOTE IN LIGHT OF ITS EXPANDING COMMITMENT TO THE USE OF NUCLEAR POWER TO MEET ITS ENERGY NEEDS AND THE WORLDWIDE CONCERNS ABOUT NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION, THE ROC HAS RECENTLY UNDERTAKEN A MAJOR REVIEW OF ITS OVERALL NUCLEAR RESEARCH PROGRAM. AS A RESULT OF THIS REVIEW THE ROC HAS TERMINATED CERTAIN ACTIVITIES RELATING TO REPROCESSING AND THE HANDLING OF PLUTONIUM AND U-233, AND IS RESTRUCTURING ITS NUCLEAR RESEARCH PROGRAM TO BE MORE DIRECTLY RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF THEIR NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAM. THE U.S. HAS BEEN CONSULTING WITH AND ADVISING THE ROC IN THIS EFFORT. UNQUOTE

2. WE ASSUME THAT THIS STATEMENT HAS BEEN PASSED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY TEAM LEADER HELFRIC, AND THAT ITS USE MAY EVEN HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF SOME DISCUSSION

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DURING THE RECENT VISIT OF INER DIRECTOR CH'EN CHI-PENG. SHOULD AN OCCASION ARISE WHERE THIS OR A SIMILAR STATEMENT IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR USE BY U.S. OFFICIALS IN A PUBLIC FORUM, WE WOULD EXPECT TO BE INFORMED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
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